# FIELD CROPS

#### HAY

All harvested hay totaled 230,000 acres in 2013, down from 285,000 acres in 2012. Yield for all hay totaled 4.18 tons an acre for a total production of 962,000 tons. The average price for all hay was \$247 per ton. Harvested alfalfa acreage decreased to 145,000 acres from the previous year's total of 200,000 acres. Yield per acre was 5.40 tons for a total production of 783,000 tons. The price of alfalfa hay decreased averaging \$254 per ton.

## **SORGHUM**

Drought conditions did not have as severe impact on the state's sorghum crop as previous years. New Mexico's sorghum acreage harvested for grain was estimated at 68,000 acres in 2013 compared to 19,000 acres harvested the previous year. Yields averaged 34 bushels per acre for a total production of 2.3 million bushels compared to 798,000 bushels produced a year earlier. The average price decreased to \$4.34 per bushel. Total value of production was \$10 million, increasing from \$5.94 million in 2012. There was a total of 16,000 acres harvested for silage with an average yield of 13 tons per acre, which produced 208,000 tons, a 38 percent drop from 2012.

### **CORN**

Corn for grain production increased from 7.31 million bushels in 2012 to 7.41 million bushels in 2013. Yields were 190 bushels per acre; harvested acres decreased by 4,000 acres to 39,000. The 2013 price per bushel averaged \$5.10 for a total value of production of \$37.79 million. Acres harvested for silage decreased 1,000 acres to 79,000. Yield was 25 tons per acre for a total production of 1.98 million tons.

## **WHEAT**

Winter wheat production in the state was also affected by another year of drought in 2013 totaling 3.08 million bushels, up from 2.43 million in 2012. Harvested acreage decreased to 70,000 in 2013 compared to 90,000 acres harvested the previous year. The average yield was 44 bushels per acre. The value of production was \$23.25 million with an average price of \$7.55 per bushel.

## **PEANUTS**

Peanut harvested acreage decreased by 3,000 acres from the previous year to 7,000 acres in 2013. Yields were higher in 2013 at 3,300 pounds per acre. Production was 23 million pounds. Crop value decreased from \$12.71 million in 2012 to \$7.95 million in 2013 with the average price at \$0.34 per pound.

## **COTTON**

Upland cotton producers harvested 31,000 acres in 2013 compared to 38,000 in 2012. Yields dropped in 2013 to 929 pounds per acre. Total production for the year was estimated at 60,000 bales. Price per pound averaged \$0.74 with total value of production at \$26.50 million. American-Pima harvested acres totaled 3,400, an increase of 1,100 acres from the 2012 total of 2,300 acres. Yields for the year averaged 847 pounds per acre.